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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Secretary of Defense, 25 August 1977

25X1 1. Operation [redacted] SecDef indicated they have no record of any DoD participation in these and was somewhat upset that I had indicated they were DoD activities in which CIA was a participant. He wanted to know what we had on this that we could give them. I told him I thought all the materials we had had already been provided to them but will double-check and make sure. Please give me a summary of what the evidence is that they were DoD activities.

2. Brezhnev made a speech in Czechoslovakia in 1973 which subsequently got reported in the press to the effect that they were looking for about 15 years of coexistence at the end of which by the mid-1980s they would be in a position to dictate to the West. Reportedly [redacted]

25X1 [redacted] and subsequently worked its way into the public domain. Could we track down whether we have any background on whether Brezhnev said this and what credibility there is to it, how we obtained it, etc.?

3. AWACS - Secretary Brown will make a statement early next week about the assurances that they've worked out for physical security of the aircraft.

4. Executive Order - Secretary Brown is concerned that if we put the Congressional relations element in it will drag out the time to obtain approval and it will commit us in areas we may not want to be committed, e.g. notifying the committees, even in a timely manner, of all intelligence operations cleared by the SCC.

5. We agreed we would wait to see what came out of the Huddleston meeting with the President tomorrow.

6. Charters - We agreed that our people would coordinate with Deanne Siemer and Dan Murphy on the Charters proposals before they go to the NSC staff for further coordination. I note that the wording of the NSC instruction on this does not require we have a full draft Charter prepared by the 31st, but only that we have our thinking on the Charter outlined and some wording prepared.

7. PRM-24 Leak - I briefed the Secretary on the new information we received. This was satisfactory.

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8. Improper pressure in discussion of NIE on Law of the Sea.

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